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In response, the abstract is amended to add reference numerals. Substitute drawings are presented. Independent Claims 7 and 13 are amended to more clearly indicate that the fan mounts in the carrier.

The Examiner particularly rejects Claims 1-14 under 35 USC 112 as being indefinite. Respecting Independent Claim 1 et seq. the Examiner suggests that PC card slots should be tied with the opening of claim line 2. This suggestion is adopted in response to the Examining attorney's suggestion.

The Examiner also rejects Claims 1-12 and 14 as being based on a non-enabling disclosure. In response, these claims are all amended. The disclosure is now enabling by virtue of the substitute drawings. Elements 70, 68 and 66 are added to FIG. 2 and are presented in red-line format for the draftsman and Examiner to see. Support for these elements is found in FIG. 4 (70 and 68) and in FIG. 3 (66).

The claims are amended to clearly point out the invention and to overcome the cited art.

AMENDMENT

In the Specification:

At page 4, line 14, after the word "front 52" insert the text: - - a fan 66 mounted in the ^{carrier}
a PC card device 62 ,

At Page 4, line 18, replace the first word [A] with - - The - -

At Page 4, line 18, after the word "device 62", insert the text: - has offset slots 68 and 70 and

Amend the abstract as follows:

ABSTRACT

A carrier (32) and docking assembly (10) in combination for removeably interconnecting a PC card device (62) with a computer (14). The docking assembly (10) is configured in size to be fixed in a memory storage device bay of a computer housing, or a memory storage device housing. [The docking assembly includes a plug for the carrier, a power connector and an interface connector. The interface connector is adapted for connection with an IDE ribbon cable.] The carrier (32) includes a